

Mrs. CARAWAY. Mr. President, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator, I move that the Senate do now adjourn.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and (at 12 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, July 15, 1937, at 12 o'clock meridian.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 1937

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Speak to us, O Lord God, for in these moments we are so defenseless. Out of the depths of our sorrow we cry: Thou art our refuge and strength and a very present help in trouble. Heavenly Father, while life is a great adventure, whatever we do help us to be true to God and duty. We praise Thee for the joy of living and for the hopes and promises for its continuance beyond the timeless centuries. We pray that we may be in preparation for that eternal haven where conflict and struggle, wonder and mystery are over and they who have trod the earth in labor and in pain are now walking the highways of the City of God. Heavenly Father, a statesman who served his State and Nation with distinction and fidelity has fallen, clothed in his armor of renowned leadership. Our heavy hearts pause at the mercy seat of prayer; our cup of sorrow is so full; he was our friend, our neighbor, and brother. Encourage us to go forward that we may fulfill our destiny and enter upon that higher life as servants of the Lord. Oh, comfort her in whose breast there is such an unspeakable void and give her great peace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

NAVIGATION FACILITIES ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER

Mr. O'CONNOR of New York, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed:

House Resolution 277

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to move that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of H. R. 7642, a bill to authorize the completion, maintenance, and operation of Bonneville project for navigation, and for other purposes, and all points of order against said bill are hereby waived. That after general debate, which shall be confined to the bill and shall continue not to exceed 2 hours, to be equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, the bill shall be read for amendment under the 5-minute rule. At the conclusion of the reading of the bill for amendment, the Committee shall rise and report the same to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted, and the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

Mr. HAINES. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the RECORD and to include therein an address delivered by our colleague the gentleman from New York [Mr. MEAD].

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

Mr. LEWIS of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the RECORD and to include therein copies of letters from all Members of the Colorado delegation sent today to each Member of the House.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

THE LATE SENATOR JOSEPH T. ROBINSON

Mr. DRIVER. Mr. Speaker, it is my sad duty to announce to the House of Representatives the death of Hon. JOSEPH T. ROBINSON, the senior Senator from the State of Arkansas, which occurred last night in the Capital City, bringing to a close a long and notable career in the public

service. Senator ROBINSON entered public service in the House of Representatives of the State Legislature of Arkansas in the year 1894. Almost immediately thereafter he was elected to the Fifty-eighth Congress, and served in this body for 8 years, when, because of his outstanding ability, the people of my home State selected him as their Governor. Before he had served in that office 30 days a vacancy occurred in the Senate in the Sixty-second Congress, and he was elected by the State legislature to serve an unexpired term in the Senate, and has served continuously in that body since that period up to the date of his death.

In 1922 Senator ROBINSON was selected as the chairman of the minority conference in the Senate and served in that office until a change of administration occurred on the 4th of March 1933, when he was elected majority leader, and has rendered most distinguished service in that capacity during the period in which we have been engaged in recovery legislation.

Mr. Speaker, no man, in my opinion, has rendered a more unselfish, a more patriotic service than has this great citizen from my home State. He died in the harness, as he would wish to die, but I cannot help thinking of the period in Biblical history, when one of the great characters of that time was led up and afforded an opportunity to look over the Promised Land, which he never entered. Senator ROBINSON's life ambition was to serve on the Supreme Court of the United States. It is believed by many that he would have attained that great ambition had he lived but a few more days, but it was denied him.

My friends, the Nation has suffered a most serious loss in the passing of this great man, and the State of Arkansas, his native State, has suffered an irreparable loss in the death of its most distinguished citizen. At a later date remarks more protracted and suitable to the occasion will be offered.

I offer the following resolution, which I send to the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

House Resolution 278

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. JOSEPH T. ROBINSON, a Senator of the United States from the State of Arkansas.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased Senator.

Resolved, That a committee of 23 Members be appointed on the part of the House to join with the committee appointed on the part of the Senate to attend the funeral.

The SPEAKER. The question is on agreeing to the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

The Chair appointed the following committee under the terms of the resolution:

Mr. RAYBURN, Mr. SNELL, Mr. DOUGHTON, Mr. JONES, Mr. DRIVER, Mr. McREYNOLDS, Mr. O'CONNOR of New York, Mr. WOODRUM, Mr. WARREN, Mr. FULLER, Mr. BOEHNE, Mr. MILLER, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. WADSWORTH, Mr. ROBISON of Kentucky, Mr. TERRY, Mr. CRAVENS, Mr. SHORT, Mr. SNYDER of Pennsylvania, Mr. McCLELLAN, Mr. NICHOLS, Mr. MICHENER, and Mr. KITCHENS.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the concluding portion of the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER. The question is on agreeing to the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 17 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, July 15, 1937, at 12 o'clock noon.

COMMITTEE HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON RIVERS AND HARBORS

The Committee on Rivers and Harbors will meet Thursday, July 15, 1937, at 10:30 a. m., to hold hearings on H. R. 7365, a bill to provide for the regional conservation and development of the national resources, etc.

COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

There will be a meeting of the Research Subcommittee of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce at 10 a. m. Thursday, July 22, 1937. Business to be considered: Hearing on H. R. 1536, H. R. 5531, H. R. 7001, and H. R. 7643, research bills.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

718. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Navy, transmitting the draft of a proposed bill to extend the jurisdiction of the United States District Court, Territory of Hawaii, over the Midway Islands, Wake Island, Johnson Island, Sand Island, Kingman Reef, Kure Island, Baker Island, Howland Island, Jarvis Island, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

719. A letter from the president, Board of Commissioners, District of Columbia, transmitting a proposed amendment to H. R. 5039, a bill amending an act entitled "An act to regulate the business of loaning money, etc."; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII,

Mr. O'CONNOR of New York: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 277. Resolution providing for the consideration of H. R. 7642; without amendment (Rept. No. 1217). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. MILLER: Committee on the Judiciary. H. R. 7508. A bill to amend the Liquor Enforcement Act of 1936; without amendment (Rept. No. 1218). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HILL of Alabama: Committee on Military Affairs. H. R. 7645. A bill to authorize appropriations for construction and rehabilitation at military posts, and for other purposes; without amendment (Rept. No. 1219). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. McREYNOLDS: Committee on Foreign Affairs. House Joint Resolution 437. Joint resolution to amend an act entitled "An act to establish a commission for the settlement of the special claims comprehended within the terms of the convention between the United States of America and the United Mexican States concluded April 24, 1934", approved April 10, 1935, and to redefine the jurisdiction of the Special Mexican Claims Commission in certain particulars; with amendment (Rept. No. 1220). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BLAND: Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. House Joint Resolution 413. Joint resolution to permit the transportation of passengers by Canadian passenger vessels between ports or places in the United States on Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River; with amendment (Rept. No. 1221). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BLAND: Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. H. R. 7402. A bill to provide more effectively for the marking of wrecked and sunken craft for the protection of navigation, to improve the efficiency of the Lighthouse Service, and for other purposes; without amendment (Rept. No. 1222). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. O'LEARY: Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. H. R. 7158. A bill to except yachts, tugs, towboats, and unrigged vessels from certain provisions of the act of June 25, 1936, as amended; without amendment (Rept. No. 1223). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BLAND: Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. H. R. 6916. A bill to amend the laws relating to enlistments in the Coast Guard, and for other purposes; without amendment (Rept. No. 1224). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BLAND: Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. H. R. 7823. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to exchange with the people of Puerto Rico the Guanica Lighthouse Reservation for two adjacent plots of insular forest land under the jurisdiction of the commissioner, department of agriculture and commerce, and for other purposes; without amendment (Rept. No. 1225). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. CURLEY: A bill (H. R. 7862) to provide additional home-mortgage relief by providing for (1) a moratorium on foreclosures permitting appropriate legislation to provide further emergency relief to home-mortgage indebtedness; (2) to further refinance home mortgages; (3) to reduce the rate of interest and extend payment and amortization of mortgages; (4) to eliminate personal and deficiency judgments in foreclosures; (5) to have mortgagor insured for the amount of the loan; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Mr. RANKIN: A bill (H. R. 7863) to provide for the creation of conservation authorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Oklahoma: A bill (H. R. 7864) to confer jurisdiction on the district courts of the United States in appeals from decisions of the Secretary of the Interior in Indian heirship and estate matters; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. CANNON of Missouri: A bill (H. R. 7865) making appropriations for certain necessary operations of the Federal Government for the last half of the month of July 1937; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DOWELL: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 443) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ELLENBOGEN: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 444) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to taxes on certain incomes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

By the SPEAKER: Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to consider their chapter 304 of the acts of 1937, with reference to an act making uniform the procedure on interstate rendition; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to consider their chapter 307 of the acts of 1937, with reference to persons convicted of crimes or offenses who are on probation or parole; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

2936. By Mr. KEOGH: Petition of the Tight Barrel Heading Manufacturers' Association, Memphis, Tenn., concerning the Black-Connery bills (S. 2475 and H. R. 7200); to the Committee on Labor.

2937. Also, petition of the Maritime Association of the Port of New York, concerning House bill 7365; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

2938. By Mr. PFEIFER: Petition of the Stephen Jerry & Co., Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., concerning the Black-Connery bills (S. 2475 and H. R. 7200); to the Committee on Labor.

2939. By the SPEAKER: Petition of the city of Lynn, Mass., concerning an annuity to the widow of William P. Connery, Jr.; to the Committee on Pensions.